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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

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**Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Arizona;
Phased Discontinuation of Stage II Vapor Recovery Program**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Withdrawal of direct final rule.

SUMMARY: Due to the receipt of adverse comments, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is withdrawing the September 2, 2015 direct final rule that approves a state implementation plan (SIP) revision related to the removal of "Stage II" vapor recovery equipment at gasoline dispensing facilities in the Phoenix-Mesa area. The EPA will address the comments in a subsequent final action based upon the proposed rulemaking action, also published on September 2, 2015. The EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action.

DATES: The direct final rule published at 80 FR 53001 on September 2, 2015 is withdrawn, effective [**INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER**].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 2, 2015 (80 FR 53001), the EPA published a direct final rule approving a SIP revision submitted by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ). The revision provides for the phased removal of Stage II vapor recovery equipment at gasoline dispensing facilities in the Phoenix-Mesa area. Specifically, the revision eliminates the requirement to install and operate such equipment at new gasoline dispensing facilities, and provides for the phased removal of such equipment at existing gasoline dispensing facilities from October 2016 through September 2018. In the direct final rule, the EPA stated that if adverse comments were received by October 2, 2015, the EPA would publish a timely withdrawal of the direct final rule and address the comments in a subsequent final rule. The EPA received adverse comments and is therefore withdrawing the direct final rule. The EPA will address these comments in a separate final action based on the proposed action also published on September 2, 2015 (80 FR 53086). The EPA will not open a second comment period for this action.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control,
Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Ozone,
Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Volatile organic
compounds.

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Accordingly, the amendment to 40 CFR 52.120 which published in
the **Federal Register** on September 2, 2015 (80 FR 53001) on page
53007 is withdrawn as of [**INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE**
FEDERAL REGISTER].

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